

December 18, 2014

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS**



This is the last Current FACts for 2014.  
 The newsletter will resume Jan. 8, 2015.

**FAC Spotlight:**  
**Holiday Message from**  
**Sec. Lori Flanery**

The holiday season is the perfect time to sit back and reflect on the year that is coming to a close and be grateful for all that has been afforded to all of us. As secretary of the cabinet, I am incredibly grateful to you for being a part of a great 2014.

Whether you cleared snow, processed tax receipts, attained the best price possible, shepherded a bond deal, resolved an IT issue, or served the public to the best of your ability, I'm happy you journeyed with us and look forward to continuing our work journey together in 2015.

I also want to thank everyone for their willingness to help others throughout the year with all the generous donations to KECC. The Finance Cabinet raised more than \$110,000—what a wonderful testament to each of you

helping those who are less fortunate.

My holiday wish is for peace and love to prevail and may the joyful spirit of the holidays be with you and yours.

Have a wonderful rest of the year and a happy new year!

Lori H. Flanery  
 Secretary

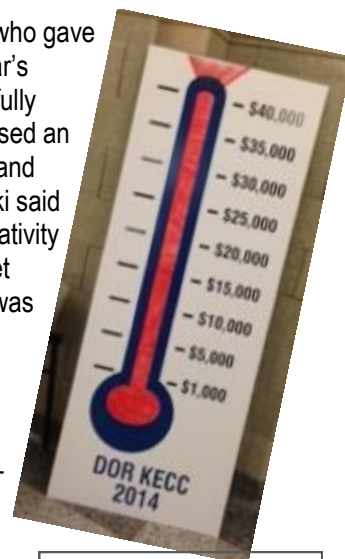


**Finance Cabinet Raises**  
**92% of KECC Goal**

*Donations accepted through Dec. 31*

Many thanks go out to everyone who gave time, talent and money to this year's KECC! While the cabinet did not fully reach its goal of \$120,000, we raised an impressive \$110,000! Workforce and Education Secretary Tom Zawacki said he was impressed with all the creativity and fun ideas the Finance Cabinet had. He also noted that Finance was a leader in those who became Cornerstone givers.

Overall, KECC has reached 99% of its goal. With donations accepted through Dec. 31, its possible that goal will still be achieved.



Above: Revenue kept track of their goal and were able to exceed it! Thanks to all who donated.

**Check out**  
**the pictures**

**from**  
**GOT's**



**Office of**  
**Application Development**

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## A Message from Commonwealth Office of Technology

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# DON'T GET LOCKED OUT... ...OF YOUR COMPUTER, THAT IS!

Getting locked out of your Windows account may not happen often, but it can happen when you least expect it.

So be prepared for that day by registering for **ADSelfService Plus**, a new feature from the Commonwealth Office of Technology (COT) that puts you in charge of your Windows password, and even lets you unlock your own account should you ever need to do so.

Our agency deployed ADSelfService Plus this year because we know how frustrating it can be to experience a locked Windows account, especially after hours or when critical work assignments are on the line.

With ADSelfService Plus, you can unlock your account without calling the Commonwealth Service Desk for assistance. You can also change or reset your Windows password any time you wish to do so – day or night.

- No more service desk calls for locked accounts!
- Get back to work faster!

### So, who can use ADSelfService Plus?

Any Commonwealth of Kentucky employee with an e-mail address ending in **@ky.gov** can register for ADSelfService Plus and use the service as often as they like.

### How do I use ADSelfService Plus?

Most employees will be able to unlock their account directly from the Windows login prompt by following a link and answering a few questions. Those who do not see the link can navigate to the ADSelfService Web portal via an Internet browser from another computer. The portal can be accessed from any supported browser\* on any Internet connection, regardless of your location.

### How do I register?

You must register for an ADSelfService account before attempting to use the service for the first time. **You can't wait until your account is locked before you decide to register.** Registration is easy, and takes only a few minutes.

### Where can I register?

Visit the [ADSelfService Web page](#) on COT's website where you can find all the information you need to get started.

### Can I use the ADSelfService Plus app?

A third-party ADSelfService Plus mobile application is available in both the in Apple's iTunes App Store and on Google Play. The Commonwealth **does not offer support** for the app, so use it at your own risk.

*\*Supported browsers include Internet Explorer 5.5 and above, Netscape 7.0 and above, Mozilla 1.5 and above, Firefox 1.5 and above, and Safari 5.0 and above.*



Team #2 won the group award with Christmas Wall (above). Team members were: Jim Breckel, Piyush Patel, Collins Kamau, Derrick Reese and Sean Adams.



Kim Curtis decorated her cubicle below and won the individual award.



Team #4 took 2nd place (left). Team members were: B.J. Reed, Rob Shaver, Krishna Nandanor, Hima Sontenam and Bert Patterson.

Team #3's creation (below) was awarded 3rd place. Team members were: Mary Jacobs, Lisa Robinson, Keshab Kiorala, Stephen Abney and Kimber Curtis.



James Koontz, manager of the Division of Revenue Application Development within COT's Office of Application Development, decided to have some colorful fun for the holidays. And the best way to do that was to have a holiday decorating contest. Nearly 60 employees were divided into 11 teams and were assigned a specific end-of-row cubical wall to decorate. Some individual employees doubled down on the fun and even decorated their cubical or doors.

James and staff wanted to share their fun and wish each and everyone in the Finance Cabinet a wonderful holiday season and a happy new year!



Debbie Weber's door creation (left). Is this too much holiday fun???

More decorations down the hallway.